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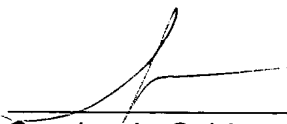
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In accordance with the duty of disclosure imposed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 to inform the Patent Office of all references known by Applicant or Applicant's representative hereby provides this Information Disclosure Statement that is prepared in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.98. Forms PTO-1449 (19 pages) and some of the references are provided herewith. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), copies of the references listed on the Form PTO-1449, and marked with an asterisk in the first column, which have been previously provided in connection with applications U.S. Serial No. 09/613,017 converted to a provisional application on 07/10/01, which is relied upon for an earlier filing date in accordance with 35

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Applicant also makes known to the Examiner the following pending U.S. and International applications which are commonly owned and/or have one or more inventors in common.

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§1.56(b) exists.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner review the foregoing references and they be made of record in the file history of the above-captioned application.

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